

**REMARKS**

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 10, 2004, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Species I (claims 1-8). Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce the non-elected claims 9-23 in one or more divisional applications at a later date. By this office action, claims 9-23 have been cancelled, and claims 24-35 have been added. Therefore, claims 1-8 and 24-35 are now pending in the application. No new matter has been added.

Applicant requests that the Examiner enter this amendment, and specifically the amendment to the claims set forth above, prior to examining the case. Applicant submits that the claims are now in condition for allowance and requests early notification of allowance.

Applicant also submits that if any claim is found to be generic, the right to consideration of additional species written in dependent form or that otherwise include all the limitations of the generic claim is reserved.

The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6977 to facilitate the prosecution of this application. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,  
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